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Corticoid: 17,21-dicarboxylic esters and corticosteroid 17-carboxylic ester 21-For:

carbonic esters, processes for their preparation and pharmaceuticals

containing these compounds

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to file the enclosed Appeal Brief. A fee of \$110.00 for the extension is enclosed.

Please grant any further extensions of time required to enter this Appeal Brief and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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